# Notes & Letters

#### I Just Joined GES!

I just recently became aware of you, GES and the seminary. An hour ago I joined GES enthusiastically. How this work is needed! GESOT offers just what I'm looking for in terms of theological faithfulness to the Word. I'm eager to begin

my studies.

S.D. ~ e-mail

#### www.faithalone.org

I was just referred to your site from a friends on how to present the gospel message. I love everything I have found thus far and find it a blessing to FINALLY see someone with discernment and concern for this important issue in Christianity.



#### Thanks for the Articles

Thank you very much for this article ("The One Who Believes," Grace in Focus Jan/Feb, 2006).

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ges@faithalone.org (Email) www.faithalone.org (Web) www.gesot.org (School) I have been struggling with Scriptures like this for a very long time. I have read many articles written by Bob Wilkin, and have found them really helpful! Bless you! Please keep up the good work.

N.D. ~ London, England

#### **ETS Conference**

I was in your class on Friday at the ETS conference in Ft. Worth at the seminary and I really enjoyed it.

H.B. - Dallas, TX

## Secure and Sure is fantastic!

Just got a call from my daughter in Kansas City. She told me that the associate pastor came up to her in

the hall at church and said something like this... "Hey, Linda...I was going through my books on my shelf to find one to read. I came across this one, Secure and Sure by Bob Wilkin! This is just a fantastic book!!!"

D.B. - e-mail





#### Living Word Ministries Hamilton, MT

March 10-13

This group is a church plant that doesn't have a pastor yet. A group of people in the Bitterroot Valley decided none of the churches in the area were doing what they thought should be done, so they started meeting together at the start of this year. They have had between 50 and 100 each Sunday. When I spoke, they had just under 70.

Pastor Dave Anderson spoke there a few months back. Through his recommendation several other Free Grace pastors have filled the pulpit. I was privileged to speak there on this occasion. This is sure a pretty area. I saw lots of deer and elk.

I gave a message entitled "What Eternity Will Be Like" from Genesis 1-3 and Revelation 21-22. I heard lots of positive comments later. I also visited with a number of the leaders in the church, discussing gospel related issues and passages.

My thanks to Jack and Stella Franks for their warm hospitality, and to everyone at the church for making me feel so welcome. PG



The group from Living Word Ministries in Montana



Pastor Paul Carpenter and Bob at Jansen Bible Church

#### Jansen Bible Church Jansen, NE March 17-19

Pastor Paul Carpenter had me walk though First John in a series of six messages on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. I love those people and that congregation.

It was quite a challenge, and yet quite edifying, to walk through the entire book of First John. I believe the people in the church got a lot out of it. I know I did.

While there, I was nearly snowed it. It started snowing Saturday night and there were 2 or 3 inches

on the ground when I drove off in my rental car Sunday afternoon. Fortunately the Kansas City airport was not closed. Both Jansen and KC expected about a foot of snow by Monday. Still I was delayed over 2 hours since there were terrible thunderstorms in Dallas.

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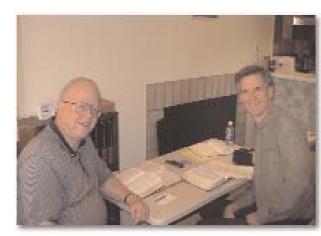




Church of Hope in Laguna Hills (CA) before Bob spoke



Jeremy Myers, a GES employee, gave a workshop on the gospel at the conference



Bob and Zane Hodges discussing Matt 22:1-14



Wayne Saulter and Freddie Coile attending a workshop at this year's conference

#### Church of Hope Laguna Hills, CA

March 5

I've spoken twice before at Pastor Freddy Cortez's church. This was my first time in their new location. Freddy is Filipino and so are most of the people in his wonderfully friendly church.

My Mom was able to go with me since their services run from 2:00 till 5:00. This was the first time she'd heard me speak in 8 to 10 years!

During the Q & A time from 4 till 5, Mom actually raised her hand and encouraged the people in the church. She also said that I had improved since the last time she heard me speak! She thinks I'm the next Billy Graham.

I spoke on the natural, spiritual, and carnal people from 1 Cor 2:14-3:3. The message was well received and the Q & A time later was excellent. I really love these people. They are so loving.

# Taping with Zane Hodges Matthew 22:1-14

March 28

What a taping this was. We had planned to do both this passage and the Parable of the Talents in a one-hour taping. We ended up taking up a little more than an hour just on Matt 22:1-14.

Zane commented afterwards that this was one of our best tapings ever. I agree. Even the tangents we got into were superb. In fact, Zane pointed out that he thought that tangents were fantastic discussions. I hope to turn these recordings into radio programs someday.

This recording is now available online for free listening, or, if you want your own CD, you can order a copy as well.

#### Spotlight on Your Support

We are making plans to offer residence classes starting in the Fall of 2007. We will need \$200,000 per year to make that happen. Is that possible?

The board believes it is. Our support team, you people, have enabled us to do remarkable things to this point. A school is much needed and would serve the Grace movement's need of a trained new generation of leaders.

Our aim is to become accredited within five years of our starting residence classes next Fall. But, to do that, we need one full-time administrator and four full-time faculty with earned doctorates. And that in turn will cost a fair amount of money, far more than our current budget would allow.

We are looking for 200 churches and individuals to commit to \$1,000 each per year. Many of you are already fully committed and we understand that. We ask everyone to pray and those who can give to let us know of your plan to be one of the two hundred.

Thank you for your generous support of this ministry. Together we are making a great difference as our publications, conference, and now our school of theology, all show.

#### 11th Annual GES Conference

February 27-March 2

Good feedback keeps rolling in. The conferees evaluations have been collated and they are extremely positive. We've also had excellent feedback from many of the plenary and workshop speakers.

We've included a few more pictures from the conference this month. If you missed the 2006 conference, we sure hope you can join us next year.



Charlie & Karen Bing at this year's Grace Conference





Freddy & Corine Cortez, Bob & his Mom, Jean



The congregation of Jansen Bible Church



Jack, Scott & Katherine of Living Word Ministries



